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1939 Moisture 22.27 Inches

Year out of the moisture for ended the year balance, so far at year average moisture recloses. While U.S. weath- F. W. Brandt has not re- the official average rain- in the government, he es- the so called "normal" would be 18.54 inches. mal rainfall is secured by the last ten years and di- 10. If this estimate et, then the 1939 moisture hews this county has re- 7.3 inches more moisture normal."

years record makes the straight year that the recorded is above the so "normal". Last year the as recorded was 18.50 in. nsford county recorded ches. ystem of gaining the so normal" rainfall or mois- rd is a bit unfair to this because of the fact that he last ten years recorded one year with only 7.86 moisture, which is far be- amount ever recorded in nty. Also included in the year cycle is two years at a bit more than 13.00 moisture. In 1933 there 90 inches moisture record in 1934 there was 13.93 moisture recorded. emers in this area gener- niteen to twenty in. normal rainfall or mois- this area. This being ns county has enjoyed an of moisture for two years.

ds at County Agent Joe office show just about amount of wheat pro- this county during 1938 However, the acreage for s smaller than the acre- 1938.

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moisture record was for below the so called normal, and accord- ing to local people who study the crop production in ratio to mois- ture, explains why the 1938 wheat production was small des- pite a good 1938 moisture record. The fall and winter of 1937 was completely dry, and the 1938 wheat crop was made on 14.19 in. moisture that fell in this county during the months of Feb., Mar., April, May, and June. Perhaps this 1938 record was the most ideal ever recorded in Hansford county because we entered the year with very poor prospects, a January without a trace of mois- ture, and then the rains fell reg- ularly for five months.

The 1939 wheat prospects en- joyed a little better start than the 1938 prospects. Seven and ninety hundredths inches of moisture was recorded in the county in the fall and early winter of 1938, which gave the 1939 crop a fair start. According to the rain chart the 1939 production should have been pretty fair since an average of nearly 2 inches of moisture was recorded the first 5 months of 1939. However, local people will remember that the wheat en- countered hot winds and plenty of dry weather.

According to the records of F.W. Brandt, we enter the year 1940 with a decided moisture advan- tage over the year 1939. The re- cords show that 7.90 inches of moisture was recorded in the last six months of 1938, while the last six months of 1939 shows 11.29 inches moisture recorded

for 1939. January of 1939 showed 1.47 inches moisture. If the 1940 record does as well as the early 1939 record, wheat pros- pects for 1940 are very good, and the local men who said "roses will bloom this year" may be right.

Texas wheat farmers planted 4,154,000 acres in 1939.

Juniors To Sell Lunches Tournament

Juniors are preparing to lunch room in the Home cs rooms during the n Tournament. They are orders of: Soup, Ham- Hot Dogs, Chili, Pie,

Coffee, Pop all kinds, Candy all makes, novelties.

Attend all the games, eat with the juniors. Money derived from this sale will be used for the an- nual junior-senior banquet.

Lynx 2nd At Pampa Tourney

Spearman Lynx went to pa Invitation Basketball ent Dec. 22-23 where eeded in bringing back place trophy. Spearman ve the first step in the nt. Their first game Groom whom they de- 15. Saturday morn- o'clock the Lynx play- rt in the semi-finals.

They were also victorious in this game 24-20. Saturday night at 8 p. m. the Lynx met Pampa in the finals of the tournament and met their first defeat in the tournament as well as the season. The Harvesters won 20 to 16.

Jacobs placed on the all-tour- nament team was also voted the most valuable player to his team during the tournament.

Basketball Tourney To Be Here Fri. & Sat.

Twenty four basketball teams will contest in Spearman's annual invitation tournament to be held at the gym Friday and Saturday Jan. 5-6. With the prospects of four more teams entering before the closing date, this years tour- nament promises to be the larg- est and most interesting ever held.

Every year the high light of the basketball teams of Spear- man is the Spearman tournament. There are sure to be several thrilling games during this tour- nament. There will be six ses- sions to the tournament begin-

ning Friday morning. The first session is always free. Admission will be charged for the Friday afternoon and evening games.

Admission
The admission per session will be 10c and 25c until Saturday afternoon, when the semi-finals begin. The charge for the semi- finals will be 15 and 35c and for the finals the admission will be 25 and 50c.

Teams Entered
The following towns have en- tered in the tournament: Lips- comb, boys and girls; Hartley, boys and girls; Canadian, boys

and girls; Borger, girls; Booker boys and girls; White Deer, boys; Morse boys and girls; Stin- nett, boys and girls; Gruver, boys and girls; and Perryton, boys and girls.

Other invitations have been sent out from which we have not received replies.

Borger girls and the Spearman boys were crowned champs last year.

Spearman Civic clubs welcome the visitors to town and state they are ready to cooperate to make this the best tournament in history.

198 Women of County In Home Dem. Clubs

The Extension Service was in- troduced to this county in Feb. 1924, by the hiring of a county agent. At the time the first coun- ty agent was hired, the most im- portant problems of the rural people were low income; market- ing of farm products; inferior quality of products produced; need of adaptable soil and water conservation practices; lack of rural organization; lack of prop- er information; lack of proper information as to the best methods of production of both livestock and crops; a one-crop system of farming; poor farm roads, and poor transportation facilities.

During the past few years other changes in Extension teach- ing have been instituted. These are the Whole Farm Demon- stration, Land Use Planning, Or- ganization of the farmers, and in 1938 the County Home Demon- stration Agent was brought to this county.

The Extension Service, through the county and Home Demon- stration Agents, has a remarkable record during the past 15 years of having helped producers over come some of their major prob- lems.

"Eight Women's Clubs and 4 4-H girls' clubs have been or- ganized since the County Home Demonstration Agent has been in the county. The total mem- bership of these clubs is 198. Every club has a representative in the County Home Demonstration Council which meets every 2nd Monday of each month. The membership of the council is made up of the president and 1 elected delegate from each club. The council officers include a chairman, vice-chairman, secre- tary-treasurer, and parliamentar- ian.

Hansford county has afforded an open field for clothing work, as there have been few women who have had the privilege of home economics, or courses de- signed to teach sewing, or cloth- ing work in general. The women have learned much about colors, the style and their relationship to personality and coloring, and

the necessity of a foundation pattern made for individual me- asurements. 125 women have these foundation patterns, and they have realized the saving, value and affect one clothes has on personality.

There were 1,321 garments made by the club women this year; individual clothing accounts were kept and the average was \$25.50 per person yearly.

Mrs. H. M. Shedeck was the clothing demonstrator for the Better Homes Demonstration club she took inventory of their cloth- ing and learned with much sur- prise that this was a great help to her. Mrs. Shedeck kept a bud- get and a clothing account for the entire family. By doing this she states that she has saved a great deal of money to spend for other things.

Clothing for the 4-H Girls in Hansford county has given many girls an opportunity that have not had the privilege of home economics since it is offered in only two school in the county. There are four 4-H girls' clubs in the county. There were 207 garments made by the girls. In- dividual clothing accounts were kept and the average was found to be \$21.40. The savings were \$12.00 per girl.

An achievement program was held at the home of each dem- onstrator. The demonstrator had complete charge of the program. In studying the Texas Food standard, the club women learn- ed that their family was lack- ing an adequate diet. They are working toward better diets for their families by planting gar- dens so they can have more fresh vegetables. The women have canned 8,096 qts. of fruits and vegetables. Almost every woman in the clubs have a frame garden now that they realize the value of them.

Mrs. Virgil Hull planted her garden 5 times before she was successful in raising anything. Late frozes, bugs, rabbits, hot winds and dry weather tried to drive her out, but she was a woman not to be discouraged. On the fifth time she planted, she had good luck. She canned 420

qts. of vegetables, fruits, jams, and chicken. She values these at \$214.35. The cost of putting this up was \$24.20, leaving a saving of 189.85.

Mrs. Hull is the food demon- strator of the Medlin Club. She says that she has learned much about canning vegetables which means much to the health of the family.

The 4-H girls canned 42 qts. of fruits and vegetables; they planned gardens as the women did and got a great enjoyment out of taking care of them. An achievement program was held at the home of each demonstrator. She told the story of her work through out the year, and these stories did much toward streng- thening the interest of the co- operators. Through the work, the girls have learned better how to prepare food to retain the food values.

Two radio programs were pre- sented by the club women of Hansford county. The first one was "Planning the Production of the Home Food Supply, and the last one was "White Cotton Month and Better Bedding." A talk on Land Use Planning was given and the county chorus sang two songs.

The other agencies of the coun- ty have cooperated with the Co. Home Dem. Agent in her work, the Farm Security, Land Use Planning Committee, Whole Farm Demonstration, AAA, and others.

The county HD agent has given 126 method demonstrations with an attendance of 1734 and 28 result demonstrations. The latter reached 669 women of the county.

The influence of extension work has helped many farm fam- ilies to improve their living con- ditions, to have better bedding, better prepared food, and better and more attractive clothing, poise, and leadership.

Dec. estimates indicated that Texans would harvest close to 28 millions of wheat in 1940.

Paul Roach Appointed Census Enumerator

Paul Roach of this city has been appointed 'Enumerator' for Hansford county, to take the business and manufacturing cen- sus for the year 1939.

The north plains district con- sists of 16 counties with head- quarters at Pampa, with district supervisor Carol Smyers as head. Mr. Roach attended a two-days

training school at Pampa last week. He says "all cooperation in this county will be appreciated while this work is being done".

This census is required by act of Congress, the data obtained will be held strictly confidential. The severest penalties are in order if anyone reveals any of the data received by any of the enumerators, Mr. Roach said.

DON'T NAME IT

WILL J. MILLER

"Roses Will Bloom in 1940", quoting none other than the num- ber 5 pessimist of Hansford county, Rex Sanders. This column awaits patiently the opinions of R. E. (Eck) Lee, R. L. (Lee) Mc Clellan, Dave Hester, and Roy Wilmet. If all five of the num- ber five pessimists of this coun- try sound off with a joyful note, you can depend upon it that wheat will be plentiful and will sell for more than a dollar a bushel in July.

Judge Barkley was quoted as the number one optimist in this column last year . . . but last year was not election year. When this writer attempted to get a statement from His Honor the Judge today, it sounded like "sompn' the White House spok- esman might say about the pros- pective third term for President Roosevelt. Judge said right here in this quarter of the county we had pretty fair chances for wheat. He deplored the fact that the vast number of citizens (vot- ers) in the West and North part of the county did not have real good prospects for wheat pro- duction in 1940. His heart goes out to the boys who do not face a bright future, and although he said nuthin about it, we do not hesitate to quote him as saying he in his official capacity as Judge of this county will do all in his power to encourage and improve wheat production and

wheat prices, unquote. oOo
The cattlemen of this county are still flying high. Rex Sanders talks about a hundred dollars like he thought it was a drink of water. Walter Wilmet has quit complaining about people not paying for the tractors and com- bines he lets them take away from him. Hayden Hart has gained a little more weight, and I recon has bought a few more head of cattle. oOo

Poor old Paul Higgs fared worse than any of the rest of the bunch of cattlemen, because he made so much money the last few years he moved into Ama- rillo. Paul is perhaps not having quite so much fun, because he is just an old country boy and has no more business up there in the wicked city than this country editor has in trying to edit the Ama- rillo News-Globe. Here's hoping the smart boys trim Paul down to our size so he will come back to Hansford county. oOo

Reviewing the past year we SEE NO. 5 ON BACK PAGE

SPEARMAN SCHOOLS COMPLIMENTED BY STATE SUPT.

Following an official visit of State Superintendent L. A. Woods, to the Spearman schools in December of last year, Supt. W. R. Finley received the follow- ing letter:

"I want to take this opportu- nity to tell you that my visit to your school was a pleasant one. You are to be congratulated upon having such a splendid school group. With best wishes, I am Sincerely yours, L. A. Woods, State Supt.

- • • • • the Hardy family.
- Jan. 9-10—"South of the Border" with Gene Autry, Smiley Burnette and June Storey.
- Jan. 11-12—"The Invisible Stripes"—with George Raft, William Holden and Jane Bryan.
- Jan. 13—"Wall Street Cowboy" with Roy Rogers, Gabby Hayes and Ann Baldwin.
- Jan. 14-15—"Brother Rat and a Baby" with Eddie Albert, Ronald Reagan, Wayne Morris and Priscilla Lane.
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- ELLIS THEATRE
- PERRYTON, TEXAS
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- Jan. 4-5—"The Amazing Mr. Williams" with Melvyn Douglas, Joan Blondell and Ruth Donnelly.
- Jan. 6—"The Llano Kid"—with Tito Guizar and Gale Sondergaard.
- Jan. 7-8—"Judge Hardy and Son" with Mickey Rooney and

Lose & Win Tues.

Spearman Lynx dropped their second game of the season and the initial conference game Tues- day night to the Phillips Black- hawks at Phillips. The final score Phillips 22 Spearman 18. Jacobs was high point with 8 tal- ies.

Girls Win!
The Lynxettes gave a better account of themselves, winning their game with a score of 25 to 17. Vernon made the first score of the game and the Lynxettes were never headed. Vernon was high scorer, 10 points.

Summary of Annual Report By County Agent Hatton

1939 marks the 25th an- niversary of the Extension Ser- vice. It would be well to review the agricultural growth progress of Hansford county that period of time. 25 years ago the land in the coun- ty was primarily grass and about 1920 farm- ers were breaking out large areas of sod. This continued number of years until at present time there is over 100,000 acres in cultivation which is principally to the pro- duction of wheat. Conditions in- stead have always varied from extremes of prosperous plenty to lean years and want.

The Emergency Wind Erosion grants of 1935 and 1936 and the AAA soil building payments served as inducements to farmers to take up conservation practices and speeded up the demon- stration process. When the AAA program drafted the county Agent to be responsible for the program in the county and set up pay- ments for doing soil building practices it placed in his hands a mighty weapon for furthering the cause of soil and water con- servation.

Not only has conservation work grown in the county, but it has also undergone many radical changes within just a few years. Three years ago the most popu- lar practice for conserving mois- ture was by contour furrowing. Today this has largely been re- placed by damming and pit cul- tivation—which practice is adap- table to the large wheat farm- ing machinery used by producers in this area. In 1939 alone, there was 269,677 acres of land dam- med or pit cultivated—this rep-

resenting about 77 percent of the total cultivated land in the county.

Terraces work ideally with ei- ther damming or contouring and farmers are learning through demonstration their value. Each year has marked a steady in- crease in the acreage of terrac- ed land in the county. This year there is a total of about 30,000 acres of land terraced.

The 1,535,193 bushels of wheat harvested this year was the largest since 1934 even though the farmers were allowed to plant only 55 percent of their land under the AAA program. Farm- ers placed 1,175,000 bushels of this amount under the loan for which they were loaned \$820,000. At the present time they could take up the loans and realize a nice profit on their wheat.

A whole have stopped depend- ing on just one crop and have ad- ded livestock and poultry to their farms and are using their acre- age that cannot be planted to wheat for the "production" of grazing and forage crops. Prac- tically all farmers have received returns during the past year from either the sale of livestock or from grazing fees. Another factor that is heartening to a number of producers is the fact that they are insured by the Federal Crop Insurance Corpora- tion and are assured of receiv- ing a total of 161,000 bushels of wheat in case of crop failure.

Extension work, seeking to bring about greater farm income through a better balanced agri- cultural program, has gone for- ward in Hansford county in a number of different phases of work in 1939.

Conservation work in 1939 reached a new high. On cultivat- ed land there was 269,677 acres dammed or pit cultivated, 27, 165 acres of small grain seeded on the contour, 8,806 acres con-

tour listed and 12,097 acres of cover crop. On range land there was 24,995 acres on which graz- ing was deferred, 1,857 acres of grass contour furrowed, 8,567 acres of prickly pear eradicated, 15 stock dams built and 11 wells dug.

Another highlight was 4-H Club work. There were 89 boys enrolled in the work, which is carried on in all parts of the county, and 72 of the boys com- pleted their projects. Last spring a successful 4-H livestock show and judging contest was held. Out of the livestock shown by the boys at the Amarillo Fat Stock Show 2 calves and 2 lambs won awards. Club boys have handled 124 beef cattle this year, and several of the boys have started commercial herds of their own. There is over 40 beef calves and 8 lambs on feed at the present time. Eleven 4-H boys produced a total of 3,975 bushels of wheat from 469 acres. Grasshoppers would have been a big problem had not complete cooperation and organization of

farmers been secured. 1,100,000 pounds of poison bran mash was scattered which resulted in a total estimated saving of crops and ranges valued at \$471,972.00. Feed storage was emphasized during the year. Even though feed crop production was below normal, 11 trench silos were filled this fall as compared to six last year.

Organization and planning work was utilized throughout the year in putting over a better co- ordinated and sound program. Through the Land Use Planning Committee, Hansford county Agri- cultural Association, grasshopper committee, county council, ACA committee, and 4-H club committee each phase of work was taken up and better correl- ated so as to form a workable and successful program.

After the Land Use Planning Committee had made a thorough study of the Special Conserva- tion Program, (Sherman county program) and had assisted in its revision to more nearly fit the needs of both the regular and

the Special program farmers were given the details. At a special meeting 89 percent of the farm- ers present voted to adopt this special program in lieu of the regular program for 1940.

With a majority of the farm- ers in the county practicing ap- proved conservation methods on their farms perfecting farmer or- ganization, and through coopera- tion working out their own farm program—together with the fact that many producers have chang- ed to a better balanced type of farming by addition of livestock, feed, and poultry in place of a one-crop system the picture of agriculture conditions in Hans- ford county and the future out- look is much brighter than it has been in the past years.

SISTER OF MRS. W. R. FINLEY DIED AT FT. WORTH, TEXAS
Mrs. W. R. Finley received word late Tuesday evening that her sister, Mrs. E. O. Bradshaw, Fort Worth, had died at a Fort Worth hospital.

PUBLISHED THURSDAY.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

The State of Texas County of Hansford To those indebted to, or holding claims against the estate of AUSTIN L. HARTZELL, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration with will annexed upon the estate of Austin L. Hartzell, deceased, were granted me, the undersigned, on the 13th day of December 1939, by the County Court of Hansford County, Texas; and all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to me within the time required by law.

My residence and postoffice address is Arkansas City, Cowley County, Kansas, Rural Route No. 4. Correspondence concerning the matters herein may also be addressed to me at Spearman, Texas in care of T. D. Sansing, my attorney of record.

Lulu Hartzell Hanna Administratrix with Will Annexed of the Estate of Austin L. Hartzell, Deceased. First published Dec. 21, 1939

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OSLO NEWS

The morning worship at the Oslo Lutheran Church next Sunday, Jan. 7, First Sunday after Epiphany, will begin at 11 a. m. Serman theme: "Modern Wise Men, Like Those of Ancient Time, Follow the Star", Matt. 12:15-21. The Sunday School will begin at 10 a. m.

The Confirmation class will meet at the parsonage on Saturday at 9:30 a. m.

NEWS ITEMS

The pageant, "The Light of Xmas" which was rendered by the Sunday School and the choir church on the evening of Day, was a beautiful presentation of songs, readings, and of the story of the birth of Christ. The church was beautifully decorated and the lighting by means of electric lights recently installed added beauty to the presentation.

After the presentation, the program gifts were distributed. In spite of the snow a large audience was present.

The Oslo Ladies' Aid met at the home of Mrs Robert Alexander on Thursday afternoon of last week. While the snow hindered some from coming most of the members were present. The program topic was "The Christian Home and Christmas". It was presented by Mrs Matt Sogn, Mrs Clarence Johnson, Mrs E. Knutson and Genevieve Olsen.

This Ladies' Aid meeting was also a bridal shower in honor of Miss Eveline Reinertsen, who formerly lived in the Oslo community. At present she is living with her sister Mrs Jensen, whose husband is a pastor at Saco, Mon. On Jan. 20 she is to be married to Billy Lund of Clarkfield, Minn. The members of the Ladies Aid and other friends of her's in Oslo and Gruver where she taught school, presented her with a 52-piece silver service and other gifts. Since Miss Reinertsen could not be present, Mrs Clarence Johnson received the gifts, which were brought in by Arline Knutson, for her. She also read a letter from Miss Reinertsen who had been notified of the shower in which she expressed her gratitude and appreciation for the honor bestowed upon her. Before the presentation of the gifts cake and coffee were served the guests. Mrs. Matt Sogn served the cake and Mrs Emil Knutson the coffee. Marie Stedje sang two vocal numbers and she and Mrs Alexander sang a duet before the gifts were brought. The decorations of the home were those in conformity with the Xmas season.

Miss Reinertsen will be remembered by the people of the Oslo community as one who was active in community work and loyal to her church. Everyone in Oslo congratulates her and wishes her and her husband-to-be a happy wedded life. They will reside on Mr Lund's farm near Clarkfield, Minn. In her letter Miss Reinertsen extended an invitation to her friends in and near Oslo to visit her in her new home.

The New Year Watch Party sponsored by the Brotherhood of the Oslo Church was quite well attended in spite of the fact that many have colds and that the roads are not good.

The program centered around the topic "Ideals for 1940." It was presented by Marie Stedje, Doris Dahl, Leona Knutson and the pastor H. C. Hjortholm. Doris Dahl and Leona Knutson also sang a duet. A social hour followed the program during which resolutions for each one present were made by some one other than the individual. There were then read and it turned out that some rather amusing resolutions were made. Lunch was served at midnight farewell was said to the old year and the new year was ushered in by the ringing of the church bell and the lighting of a new candle upon the altar from the low burning candles which had been lighted earlier in the evening to represent the passing of the old year. The first act of the assembled group was and act of worship in which all joined with the pastor in the reading of the Word Of God and prayer.

The young people of the community who are attending college have returned to their schools, after spending their holidays with home folks.

Miss Marie Stedje went on to Borger Monday to take up her work as a teacher in the Spring Creek school near Borger.

Francis Holt, daughter of Mr and Mrs Coy Holt, spent a part of her vacation at the Robert Alexander home.

The many friends of Mr Homer Cluck pioneer resident of Hansford county will regret to learn that he is suffering from severe ailment. At present he is in a clinic undergoing x-ray treatments. His sons, Sam, Durwood and Gene are with him, as is his wife. Gruver is hopeful that he will be all right.

Mrs Joe Miller is still very ill at her home. She has been ill for several months. She recently returned from Amarillo where she has been in the hospital.

GRUVER NEWS

Baptist Church. There will be no preaching at the morning hour as the pastor will be at Morse. There will be preaching at the evening hour. Sunday School 10 a. m. with Supt. Gay Fletcher in charge. BTU meets at 7 p. m. Ward Spivey director and Leland Weber Associate Director. The pastor will begin a series of Bible studies at the mid-week prayer services. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

Methodist Church. The community Church School meets Sunday morning at 10 o'clock with Mr Lawrence Gruver, general supt., and his teachers extending a hearty welcome to all.

The pastor's sermon subject at 11 a. m. is "The Dynamic of Love," a message for the Holy Communion which will be had.

Rev. Thomas Barcus, supt. of the Perryton district is to preach at the 7 o'clock hour. The first quarterly conference will be held immediately after preaching.

The Epworth League Union meets Monday night, Jan 8th at Perryton. Our young people of the Gruver Church are to give the program.

Mr and Mrs Herbert McClellan are the proud parents of a brand new son, and Mr and Mrs J. M. Ayres are happy over the advent of a new daughter. To all of these new citizens we wish a very Happy New Year.

All of the Gruver School teachers returned from the four corners of Texas whence they had scattered for the holidays.

Mr and Mrs Frank Fleck have returned from a Xmas visit to relatives and friends in Kansas and other states.

Mr and Mrs Kelly Garrett returned from a visit to New M. Kelly says it really snowed in that country, around Albuquerque.

Gruver welcomed its many boys and girls home for Xmas and the New Year from schools in many states. Walter, Dorothy Ann, and Mary Ann Hart were home from Iowa. Wilma Turk and Willie Mae Wilson home from Canyon and Mary Alexander from SMU. Junior Rafferty Texas A. & M. and Elmo McClellan Jr from Arlington. It may be that we have overlooked some, but if so, we apologize. Anyway we are always glad to see our young people home.

Miss Shirley Turk spent Xmas with her parents, Mr and Mrs Dick Turk. Shirley is teaching in Turkey, Texas.

Church of Christ. The Church of Christ will hold their regular services Sunday. Sunday school at 2:30 followed by the preaching services. Bro. Graves of Spearman is the minister.

BAPTIST CHURCH

Some writers are predicting that it is the Townsend plan or dictatorship for this country, so we may be faced with a decision before long as things will not last long as they are. We have reached the point in our economic development where there will have to be some changes in the methods used the last 50 years or all business and industry will be operated under one head and if the groups that operate the business hold all of the government bonds what show has the little fellow? Even the Farmers are being slowly shoved under a dictator, and who knows what will happen to him under Republican or so called conservative dictators, the wheels are balled up with red tape and it will take considerable greasing to keep the machine running, perhaps this is why the demand for Government control of the oil business Some one may be getting low on grease.

The writer and family wish all of you a very Happy and prosperous New Year.

Yours, RVC.

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BLDGGETT NEWS

Mearl and Edward Beck were Spearman shoppers Monday.

Mrs S. J. Powell took the bus at Spearman Saturday. She will meet her son in Amarillo then on to New Mexico to visit her daughter Leona Emrick at Roswell.

Tom Riley from Canadian was visiting Mearl Beck Sunday.

Mr and Mrs John Kenney, Kathleen and J. M. were Sunday dinner guests in the Blodgett home.

Mr and Mrs A. D. Reed were Spearman shoppers Monday.

Margaret Alline Reed is spending a day or two with her grandmother Mrs James Reed.

Mr and Mrs Ed Beck and Berlin spent Thursday evening in the John Kenney home.

Kathleen Kenney spent Sunday night with her grandmother.

Mr and Mrs John Kenney and family Earl Church and family, O. J. Williams, Mrs Verna Kenney and boys were among the Spearman shoppers Saturday.

Ralph Blodgett and Richard Holton spent Sunday and Monday in Amarillo.

Harvey Morse and John Kenney were callers in the A. D. Reed home Sunday.

Ralph Blodgett went back to Texas Tech Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Ed Beck and son Berlin were guests in the W. Y. Williams home Monday.

Harvey Morse returned Saturday from a few days visit with his father and family at Okeena Oklahoma. He was joined by his brother and wife at Dalhart.

R. V. CONVERSE SAYS

Our persecutors are swifter than the eagles of the heaven; they pursued us upon the mountains, they laid wait for us in the wilderness. Lamentations 4-19.

I was surprised to see in a northern Panhandle paper the other day a statement to the effect that all Texans should support Garner for President because he lived in Texas. While this sentiment is OK it is mighty poor philosophy, as there are some things in Texas that need considerable fixing before they are exposed to the light.

Congress is in session again and we will be treated to one of the best exhibits of side stepping that has ever been staged and all for the benefit of the voters.

The Japan invasion of China has failed to win for Japan any of the things she desired and her high officials now admit that their objectives is not possible and you will see soon an attempt to withdraw and save their face as the orientals put it, the old saying is again proven true, 'when you are in trouble your friends desert you.' Japan today is deserted by every nation that once praised her. Germany deserted her for Russia and apparently has picked a lemon.

The fine snow that has covered the Panhandle the last few days is just one more boast to the bumper crop we are to raise NEXT YEAR!

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John Berry and Mrs T.D. were co-hostesses at the meeting of the Belle Bennett Mary Martha Missionary societies held Wednesday afternoon Jan. 3. Mrs Robert Douglas delivered the welcome address.

Mrs R. B. Archer Jr., was leader of the World Outlook program, and was assisted in presenting the program by Mrs Robert Douglas and Mrs F. J. Dally.

Mrs W. B. Swaim acted as installing officer when officers of both circles were installed at the meeting. Officers installed for the Belle Bennett society were: Mrs L. W. Matthews President, Mrs John Bishop, vice president,

Mrs Roy Jones, Treasurer, Mrs Sid Clarke, assistant treasurer, Mrs P. A. Lyon, recording secretary, Mrs Dillard Keim, corresponding secretary, Mrs H. P. Bailey, supt. of study club, Mrs G. P. Gibner, supt. of local work, Mrs J. L. Redus, supt. of world outlook, Mrs W. R. Finley, supt. of publicity and literature, Mrs O. L. Williams, supt. of christian social relations, Mrs R. L. McClellan,

spiritual life leader, and Mrs Finis Maize, supt. of childrens work. Officers for the Mary Martha society included: Mrs Robert Douglas, president, Mrs C. A. Gibner, vice president, Mrs Freeman Barkley secretary, Mrs F. J. Dailey, treasurer, Mrs R. E. Lee, assistant treasurer, Mrs L. B. Campbell study leader, Mrs Geo. Buzzard, supt. of childrens work,

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R. B. Archer Jr., Bruce Sheets, L. B. Campbell and W. B. Swaim. The next meeting of the Belle Bennett society will be at the home of Mrs H. P. Bailey, Wed. Jan. 10. The Mary Martha society meets with Mrs R. B. Archer Jr. on the same date.

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